

Jobie-to-Bee Ceremony

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This Ceremony is to be performed at an open meeting or promotional event where children can attend.

Items needed for the ceremony: A white flower, a purple flower, bee sash, and certificate.

HONORED QUEEN: Guide and Marshal you will retire and escort those girls who are to participate in the Jobie-to-Bee ceremony into the Bethel room.

Guide with Jobie-to-Bee(s) followed by the Marshal enter the Bethel Room through the Preparation Room door; walk east on the North Marching Line to the East Line and assemble the Jobies-to-Bee on the East Line facing east.

GUIDE: (Faces Honored Queen) Honored Queen, I have the pleasure to present _____ (introduces all Jobie(s)-to-Bee) _____, who are entitled to become Jobies-to-Bee.

HONORED QUEEN: We are excited for you to have an active membership in our Order. You are about to go through an important milestone on your journey though Job's Daughters. This hour has been set apart in order that we may confer this Jobie-to-Bee Ceremony as a heartwarming gift of friendship. We hope that as you go forth in school and your daily activities, you will be guided by the lessons you receive during today's ceremony and all the other things you will encounter when you soon become a Job's Daughter. Before the Altar you will take a special promise and receive your first lesson in our beautiful Order. You will now be escorted to the Altar to recite this promise and receive our Officers gifts of love and friendship.

Guide and Marshal you will conduct the Jobie-to Bee west of the Altar. Guide turns right on the East Line to the South Marching Line, then west to the Altar Line. She turns right on the Altar Line, and then turns left between the station of Treasurer and the south side of the Altar. The Guide and Marshal assemble the Jobie(s)-to-Bee between the stations of the First and Third Messengers. All face east. Chaplain you will attend at the Altar. The Chaplain attends the Altar in the usual manner.

CHAPLAIN: Being a Jobie-to-Bee is a great privilege and an extra special and important job. You will repeat after me the Jobie-to-Bee promise. I promise - that I will prepare - to become a Job's Daughter - by respecting my parents - by being a true friend - to all my Job's Daughter Sisters - and by spreading love, - peace and happiness - wherever I may go. - I promise that I will strive to be - the best Bee - that I can be.

The Guide and Marshal walk to the east side of the Altar with the Bees between them.

GUIDE: First Messenger, what do you hope to share with these Bees?

FIRST MESSENGER: Friendship is special and something all Job's Daughters share. It's the job of each Jobie-to-Bee to offer a smile and show that she will always care. As a Jobie-to-Bee this is an

important quality of yours too. Make sure to show kindness and make friends with each thing that you do.

MARSHAL: Second Messenger, what quality do you have for our Bees today?

SECOND MESSENGER: We learn to honor our parents and guardians in every thought word and feat. Job's Daughters teaches us to respect each and every person we meet. Respect for our parents is a quality which each Jobie-to-Bee must contain. Because, though we are each cute, now and then we drive our elders completely insane.

GUIDE: Third Messenger, what trait do you have to give these Bees?

THIRD MESSENGER: Truth is important all the way from youth through old age. The Job's Daughters Ritual focuses on honesty through the very last page. As a Jobie in training, remember to never gossip or lie. Because you're never too young to see that honesty is a quality we all should live by.

MARSHAL: Fourth Messenger, what are you most proud of that Job's Daughters do?

FOURTH MESSENGER: Within Job's Daughters we focus on charity and caring for those in need. One cannot help but smile after accomplishing a good deed. A Jobie-to-Bee should remember to give back in kindness and hugs every day. For charity is the gift that keeps giving in each and every way.

GUIDE: Fifth Messenger, what blessing do you hope these Bees carry though life?

FIFTH MESSENGER: Love is a quality each Job's Daughter holds close to her heart. Within our Order we see love all the way to the end from the very start. As a Jobie-to-Bee this room has unconditional love just for you. And we hope that your hearts are abundant in love.

MARSHAL: Treasurer, what do you have to say?

TREASURER: Job's Daughters shows us it's better to be rich in love than in gold, because friendship's the most important thing anyone can hold.

Guide followed by the Bees and the Marshal, turns right, marches to the North Marching Line, then turns right and marches to the East Line where they assemble, centered across the East Line.

MARSHAL: Librarian, what words do you have to offer these Bees?

LIBRARIAN: Job's Daughters teaches us to live a balanced life, to enjoy literature, arts and science and never lose sight of God even when facing strife.

GUIDE: Musician and Recorder what lessons do you have for our Bees?

MUSICIAN: Never forget the importance of song; a positive melody can keep you smiling all day long.

RECORDER: Side by side or miles apart Job's Daughters will give you both friends and sisters who will be dear to your heart.

MARSHAL: Junior and Senior Custodian what qualities do you have to offer?

JUNIOR CUSTODIAN: I offer you the quality of patience in your everyday life. Patience is a quality a Daughter needs in school, fundraising and when facing strife.

SENIOR CUSTODIAN: Faith is the quality I offer you, to hold high your beliefs and values is something our Order strives to teach.

GUIDE: Honored Queen, these Bees have heard the good words and wishes of our Officers and I now present them to you.

HONORED QUEEN: Junior and Senior Princesses, have you something to offer these future Daughters?

JUNIOR PRINCESS: May you always remember the lessons taught in this ceremony. I represent Jemima, one of Job's three daughters. May purity and innocence remain faithful to your every thought, word and act. I give you a white flower, an emblem of purity.

SENIOR PRINCESS: I represent Kezia, the second daughter of Job. Though you are still young, your beauty this evening (morning or afternoon) shines eternally and it's apparent you are truly the "fairest in all the land". I present to you this purple flower representing royalty and power.

HONORED QUEEN: This ceremony marks a very important moment in your Job's Daughter career. May the blessings of Friendship, Honor, Truth, Charity, and Love enhance your lives. Your experiences and Job's Daughters sisters will sweeten each passing day. I now present you with your certificate and Jobie-to-Bee sash. I hope you wear it with dignity and grace as becoming an adorable Job's Daughter to Bee of our Order. Guide and Marshal please escort our Jobie(s)-to-Bee to their seats.

Guide, followed by the Bees and Marshal, marches west on the South Marching Line to sit with their families unless seats have been reserved specifically for them. At this point, either the Honored Queen continues with the business at hand for the promotional event or she calls for Closing Ceremony, raps the Officers up and they close per the Ritual using the Triangle formation and the Mizpah Benediction.